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**RE: City of Shreveport Consent Decree, Case No. 5:13-cv-3065  
Update**

Dear Ms. Kroop:

I hope this correspondence finds you doing well. I am Mekisha Smith Creal, the newly appointed City Attorney for the City of Shreveport under Mayor Adrian Perkins. My predecessor, Mr. William Bradford, previously made contact with you concerning the City's request for an internal milestone extension for Phase I Construction. The construction of the projects in that first phase surpassed the set milestone date by approximately five months. Since the institution of this project, the City has struggled with numerous issues including, but not limited to, cost escalations, utility conflicts, and capacity of the existing engineering and construction community. We are currently in the middle of Phase II construction and beginning construction of Phase III. Remedial Measures Plans for Phase IV will be complete in the first quarter of 2019 and Phase V Sanitary Sewer Assessment work has begun. I would like to continue those discussions for the milestone extension in hopes that we can come to an amicable resolution on the matter.

I'd also like to inform you that the City has decided to replace CDMSmith, our current Program Manager. This decision comes after careful consideration of the aforementioned reasons. We believe that this change is necessary to not only move our program forward effectively and efficiently, but also to protect the interests of all concerned parties. This process will continue to evolve over the course of 2019. We do not anticipate any issues while we transition away from CDMSmith. Nevertheless, we felt it was both essential and prudent on our part to inform you of the changes that are before us. Should you have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. I look forward to meeting you and having further discussions in the future.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mekisha Smith Creal".

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